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▶ YTV's The Next Star judge Suzie McNeil takes a listen to 15-year-old Kylee Chalupa.

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Next star from Calgary?

Kylee Chalupa was one of hundreds of hopefuls who turned up to MacEwan Hall at the University of Calgary for the Calgary stop of The Next Star's cross-Canada auditions.

SAIT awarded study of deadly Olympic track

- **SAIT was one of many applicants to compete for the contract**
- **Report to be completed this fall**

A SAIT research group has been awarded the contract to perform a safety audit on the Whistler track that claimed the life of an Olympic luger.

The study comes as a result of a recommendation from the B.C. Coroner's report into the death of Georgian luger Nodar Kumaritashvili during the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver.

SAIT Polytechnic's Sports and Wellness Engineering Technology applied research group will be the lead proponent of the study — a task Alex Zahavich said it's ready for.

"When you're doing something this large, you have to put together a pretty comprehensive team of experts," he said, adding other groups, including the University of British Columbia, will be assisting in the study. "It demonstrates SAIT's ability to take on significant projects."

Patricia Leslie of Whistler Sport Legacies said they are looking forward to embracing any recommendations SAIT might bring forward.

"We haven't had any incidents at the track after our first year of operations so we don't know if there will be anything that comes out of it," she said. "We're excited to be working with SAIT and we feel that they have a really good team behind them."

Zahavich said the group already conducted some preliminary work when it was initially awarded the contract in March.

KATIE TURNER

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▶ Alex Zahavich

Safety audit

- Alex Zahavich said the main components of the study include what safety measures are currently in place at the Whistler Sliding Centre and whether the track was constructed as it was designed.
- The team will also explore previous incidents on the track and will do a full 3-D scan of the track.

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▶ Workers polish the gold doors that stand in front of the Court of Queen's Bench yesterday morning.

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Time for outdoor chores

Calgarians were basking in the sunshine that brought people out for work and play. The sun is expected to stick around right through the weekend.

Fighting crime before it happens

Premier Stelmach announces more than $3 million in crime-prevention funding

In an effort to reduce crime among youth, five community organizations in Calgary and Edmonton received money yesterday from the Government of Alberta's Safe Communities Innovation Fund.

"We used to just arrest people," said Premier Ed Stelmach. "Then, of course, they would cycle through the system again and again, sometimes throughout their lives. Now we're taking action before crime starts."

The funding includes $1 million for Taking Shelter With Literacy (Literacy Alberta and Further Education Society of Alberta), $1.4 million for the Relentless Youth Outreach Worker Project (YOUCAN Edmonton), $605,402 for Building a Safer Community Through Inclusive Learning (Edmonton Public Library Board), $100,000 for Young Educated Long-term Leaders Girls Group (Edmonton's iHuman Youth Society) and $300,000 for Calgary Music Factory (Legacy Children's Foundation).

Darryl Wernham, CEO of Legacy Children's Foundation, was thrilled with the news as the funding will allow for music lessons, studio time, music-career training and information sessions.

"The Calgary Music Project, like other similar projects around the world, is designed to enrich the lives of vulnerable, at-risk youth so that they may experience success in all facets of their lives, improve self esteem, build confidence, develop team work and other job-related skills," Wernham said in a release.

HEATHER MCINTYRE

SCIF's origins

▶ The Safe Communities Innovation Fund was announced in November 2008 as a way to strengthen community-based projects and community-police partnership projects.

1 news

Police say iPhone left in stolen truck led to capture of major car-burglary suspect. Scan code for story.

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▶ Mark Twitchell

Twitchell appealing conviction

An amateur filmmaker from Edmonton who killed a man, hacked up his body and dumped it in the sewer is appealing his first-degree murder conviction.

Mark Twitchell has filed his papers with the Alberta Court of Appeal.

Twitchell was found guilty by a jury last month in the death of Johnny Altinger in the fall of 2008.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Women testifies in assault at LRT station

A 19-year-old woman broke down as she testified about being sexually assaulted at an LRT station in Calgary last December.

She was sleeping at the Heritage LRT station and only remembers seeing a person on top of her having sexual intercourse with her, court heard.

She says she knew something was wrong, scratched the assailant's face and just blacked out again. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Search is on for suspected thief

Police are looking for a suspect involved in a carjacking incident.

The suspect attacked a taxi driver and then stole and crashed the taxi before fleeing. METRO

CUPS' front-line program cuts hours

Outreach team was formally available on the streets five days a week but staff has been cut to one member

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JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

▶ Bill Naves tends to his bike. He has spent the majority of his life on the streets but credits CUPS with helping him get back on his feet.

After more than 15 years of providing front-line service to Calgarians in crisis, the Calgary Urban Project Society's Outreach Program has been forced to slash hours due to lack of funding.

After turning to the program in 2003, Bill Naves, 55, said the Outreach Team was able to provide him with transportation, work, food hampers and kept his spirits up in the hospital while he was suffering from rheumatoid arthritis.

"Not only did it give me a helping hand, but they were people you could talk to, crisis intervention," he said.

Carlen Donnelly, executive director of CUPS, said because they couldn't provide tangible results and data to back up the success of the program, securing funding was impossible.

"It was always kind of a humane response to anyone vulnerable, alone and needing support but now funders are saying, really, what's the long-term goal? And we don't really have the answer to that."

Donnelly said CUPS hopes to revamp the program and eventually apply for funding under a different name.

WITH FILES FROM JEREMY NOLAIS

Cutting CUPS

- Outreach works in conjunction with the Calgary Alpha House Society and the Downtown Outreach Addition Partnership (DOAP).
- In addition to Outreach, CUPS also provides other programs such as Rapid Exit, a housing plan for families and individuals.
- CUPS Health and Education Centre is now in its 20th year.

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Summer of XFest

This will be the first-ever stop for Jane's Addiction in Alberta

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Rock fans finally have something to look forward to this summer.

XFest will take over Fort Calgary on Aug. 20 with acts such as Jane's Addiction and Weezer.

"It will be a game changer," Roger Kingkade, on-air talent with X92.9, said at yesterday's announcement at Flames Central.

Tickets for XFest

- **Tickets go on sale Friday** and start at $79.29.
- **VIP packages** are available.

With rock festivals skipping Calgary last summer, organizers decided to take action.

"It will fill a massive hole," said Christian Hall, program director for X92.9.

Social Distortion and House of Pain are also scheduled to headline the festival.

More acts are expected to be added.

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▶ Roger Kingkade of X92.9

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Woman strangled before blast, police say

Police say before a north Edmonton explosion levelled several homes and killed three people, the homeowner who died in the blast first strangled his common-law wife.

The Edmonton Police Service has wrapped its investigation into the blast June 20, 2010, concluding the 18011-91A Street home blew up after a line was altered to leak natural gas.

"The house was filled up with natural gas and in order for that to happen, you have to alter it," said EPS acting Supt. Darren Eastcott yesterday.

Dwayne Richard Poirier, 46, and his common-law wife Jeanne Cathleen Heard, 47, were found dead, as were neighbours Craig Donald Huber, 29, and Bradley Warren Winter, 26, following the massive blast that devastated the Lago Lindo neighbourhood.

Homicide detectives concluded Poirier killed Heard before the blast, but police are not saying if Poirier's death was accidental or the end of a possible murder-suicide. ● SHELLEY WILLIAMSON

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The Lago Lindo blaze in Edmonton destroyed four homes and caused damage to 40 properties, estimated at $3.5 million.

School near oil leak re-opens

A school in the vicinity of a massive oil leak in northern Alberta was re-opened yesterday.

Parents of students at the school on the First Nations community of Little Buffalo received a hand-delivered letter from the provincial government on Monday notifying them of the decision.

The school was closed shortly after the leak was discovered at the pipeline owned by Plains All American, when students began complaining of headaches and feeling nauseous.

The April 29 spill released 4.5-million litres of crude, and was the second-largest such spill in Alberta history.

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Police take gander for goose shooter

26TH AVENUE SW. Police are looking for a suspect after a man was seen firing shots at a nesting goose on 26th Avenue SW yesterday evening. The goose was not harmed by the shots. ● METRO

Archive of council online

VIDEOS KEPT FOR 3 YEARS. The City of Calgary has added a video archive of council meetings online.
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Deliberate flooding may drown farmland

Brandon city official says 300 homes could be affected by controlled release ◐ Agriculture minister says no guarantee of total compensation

Enforcing leave

Police were patrolling Brandon's south side to ensure residents from about 400 homes were obeying orders to leave.

- **Natural gas** lines were shut off to homes due to fears that flood water could shift pipes and break them.
- **Evacuees** have been given up to $29.90 a person each day and told to stay at a hotel or relative's home.
- **Returning** home was only allowed in order to retrieve medication or check on sump pumps.

Lourens Arendse was grading and bagging onions on his prosperous vegetable farm in south-central Manitoba as recently as Monday afternoon.

By yesterday morning, he was frantically loading sandbags into his truck to try to protect his property from the leading edge of a controlled release from the Assiniboine River.

While the province says 150 homes could be impacted by the release, at least one municipal official says as many as 300 houses and some of the province's most fertile farmland could be swamped.

In Brandon, city crews, volunteers, army reservists and jail inmates seemed to be winning the battle against the swollen Assiniboine River despite steady rain.

But the situation was different further east where Manitoba announced it would open barriers and allow the Assiniboine to spill over a 225-square-kilometre area to relieve pressure on downstream dikes. THE CANADIAN PRESS

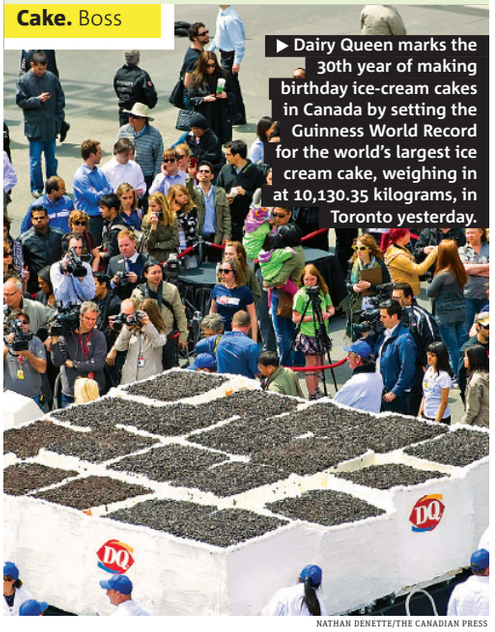
A quick decision?

Decisions involving the release, which could start today, were made within hours on Monday, said Kam Blight, reeve of the Municipality of Portage la Prairie.

"We were first notified mid-afternoon. We were told we had a few days and then plans changed as of 11 o'clock last night."

Blight said the province's decision to deliberately flood the area, was made because of the consequences of an uncontrolled rush of water through a burst dike. But many are wondering if it couldn't have been another region to take one for the team.

Cake. Boss



▶ Dairy Queen marks the 30th year of making birthday ice-cream cakes in Canada by setting the Guinness World Record for the world's largest ice cream cake, weighing in at 10,130.35 kilograms, in Toronto yesterday.

NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

10,000 kg with icing on top

Hundreds of people turned out yesterday in Toronto to witness the construction of the world's largest ice-cream cake. The cake was solid ice cream in the centre, with 90 kilograms of sponge cake on the outside, 136 kg of icing and crushed Oreos on top.

Man blames genital defect in HIV murders

A man convicted of murder through HIV transmission said an undescended testicle is why "he hid sexual information about himself all his life," forensic psychiatrist Dr. Philip Klassen told an Ontario court yesterday. The Crown is seeking a dangerous offender designation for Johnson Aziga, 54, convicted in 2009 of two counts of first-degree murder.
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▶ Ruth Ellen Brosseau

NDP says diploma flub a staff error

The NDP is apologizing for a biography that stated a rookie MP obtained a diploma from an Ontario college — when, in fact, she hadn't.

The party defended Quebec MP-elect Ruth Ellen Brosseau yesterday, saying a staffer modified her online biography without her permission.

"We're sorry for this error and regret the harm done to Ms. Brosseau," NDP spokesman Marc-Andre Viau wrote in an email.

The NDP said Brosseau never told them she had earned a diploma, and only stated that she had studied there, adding that the single mother is two credits shy of completion.
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Space. Oddity

▶ Swiss adventurer Yves Rossy is seen during his flight over the Grand Canyon in Arizona on Saturday.

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Rocket man blasts off

A Swiss adventurer has completed a flight over the Grand Canyon in his custom-built jet suit. Yves Rossy was airborne for more than eight minutes Saturday.

Heads-up not required: Court

Tabloid story of a Nazi-themed orgy led former car-racing boss to appeal to European Court of Human Rights Ruling: Freedom of speech trumps privacy

An ex-car racing boss who sued a tabloid over a story about his sadomasochistic orgy with dominatrixes lost his privacy case yesterday in the European Court of Human Rights — a ruling applauded by free speech advocates.

Max Mosley won a lawsuit against Britain's News of the World tabloid for its 2008 front-page story claiming he, the president of the governing body overseeing Formula One racing, had an hours-long Nazi-themed orgy with five women. Mosley, the son of a former fascist leader, acknowledged the orgy but denied the Nazi theme.

Despite winning sizable damages and legal costs, Mosely didn't stop fighting.

He then took the case to the European court in France, which can intervene in British court rulings. Mosley claimed that his privacy rights, which are protected by the European Convention on Human Rights, should force news organizations to notify subjects before publishing details about their private lives.

▶ Max Mosley

But the court disagreed, saying European law didn't require pre-notification and that such a requirement could have a chilling effect on freedom of speech.

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More than 10,000 families come through doors of Ronald McDonald Children's House each year: Official

Like many parents, Angela Gamble-Schell was completely blindsided when, last August, doctors diagnosed her 12-year-old daughter Alysha with pineoblastoma, a malignant brain tumour.

"A week earlier, my kids and I were watching stories of little children on the Sick Kids channel and I thought to myself, 'I'm so glad that my kids are healthy,'" she said. "Then, a week later, we ended up down at Sick Kids ourselves."

Alysha's illness would require her to remain near the hospital for an undisclosed amount of time while she underwent tests, radiation and high-dose chemotherapy.

This put a strain on the family of five from Englehart, Ont.

"The doctors were telling us this is a very long road," Gamble-Schell said.

"And we worried about how we were going to stay in the city with Alysha."

A social worker suggested the Ronald McDonald Children's House, a charity-run home for families, like the Schells, who need supportive, long-term accommodations while their child undergoes medical treatment.

The House receives part of its funding through events like today's McHappy Day, where one dollar from each Big Mac, coffee, tea and Happy Meal goes toward a variety of child-focused charities.

"McHappy Day is an opportunity to really help the Ronald McDonald House and other children's charities get the kind of community grassroots support they need. So by coming into the restaurant, you're really able to use McHappy Day as a platform for giving and a way to make a difference," said Cathy Loblaw, executive director of the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Canada.

After close to a year, Alysha has conquered her illness and the Schells will soon head home.

"It's been a long road and it was very scary, but she's our hero now," the proud mother said.

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▶ McDonald's Canada founder George Cohon poses with kids on McHappy Day, where one dollar from each Big Mac, coffee, tea and Happy Meal goes toward children's charities like the Ronald McDonald House. Visit rmhc.ca to learn how you can help.

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BREAD RISES

George Weston profit boost

Food processor George Weston Ltd. says wholesale buyers have been resisting price increases it started charging earlier this year to help offset the rising cost of ingredients it uses to make breads and other products.

The bakery company — which reported sharply higher first-quarter profits yesterday — raised prices about five per cent starting April 1 to help deal with skyrocketing costs for commodities like wheat, sugar and corn.

The company has said that climbing commodity prices, plus the higher cost of gasoline, could have a $65-million effect on its bottom line this year.

George Weston Ltd. said yesterday that its first-quarter profits more than doubled to $105 million.

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Market moment

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Microsoft makes a call on Skype

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▶ Skype CEO Tony Bates, left, and Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer shake hands during a news conference in San Francisco yesterday.

$8.5-billion US takeover deal is largest in company's history

Microsoft's $8.5-billion US purchase of Skype is the biggest deal in the software maker's 36-year history, but it also means a billion-dollar payout for the Canada Pension Plan Investment Board, a major stakeholder in the popular Internet telephone service.

Buying Skype would give Microsoft a potentially valuable communications tool as it tries to become a bigger force on the Internet and in the increasingly important smartphone market. Microsoft said it will marry Skype's functions to its Xbox game console, Outlook email program and Windows smartphones.

170M

About 170 million people log in to Skype's services every month, though not all of them make calls.

The CPPIB paid $300 million for a 15 per cent stake in Skype in 2009 when the majority of the service was sold off by eBay Inc. for about $2 billion US to an investor group that also included Skype's original founders. EBay kept the remaining 35 per cent interest in the company.

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▶ The Android@Home program on display at the Google IO Developers Conference in San Francisco yesterday.

Google launches music service

- Users will be able to access music collection from anywhere
- Reaction of recording industry is unclear

Google is launching a new service in the U.S. that lets users store their music remotely and access it from any compatible device, including mobile phones, tablets and computers.

Starting yesterday, Google Inc. said the service would be available by invitation only. The service, "Music Beta by Google" will be free at first while it is being tested. The company, which made the announcement at its yearly conference for software developers in San Francisco, did not say what it plans to charge later.

Users will be able to load up to 20,000 songs to "the cloud" — tech speak for storing data on remote servers and accessing it through an Internet connection. Users can create playlists manually, or based on a particular song. The software adds songs to a playlist that sound similar to that particular song. Think of it as the Internet radio service Pandora, but based on one's own music.

Google also unveiled a movie rental service that is now available on the Android market, its equivalent to Apple's app store.

And in a future-is-now moment, the company previewed a service it is calling Android@Home, which lets Android applications interact with appliances and electronic gadgets in your home.

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When was the last time you broke the law?

If you're like the average Brit, it was probably the last time you got into the car: Running a red light, texting, speeding, not wearing your seatbelt, parking in the handy handicapped spot, or bumping into someone's car and skulking away from the scene of the accident without leaving contact info.

Nor is the average Brit's criminal activity restricted to the automobile. In a recent gocompare.com survey of 3,000 ordinary felons, 28 per cent admitted to taking drugs and another 34 per cent confessed to having sex in public — no word on whether or not they were wearing their seatbelt at the time.

The not-so-veddy proper British break the law an average of 21 times per year. When they're not having sex in public (probably in their cars, where they appear to do everything but drive), they're downloading illegal music or failing to pick up after their pooch.

"When they're not having sex in public (probably in their cars, where they appear to do everything but drive), they're downloading illegal music or failing to pick up after their pooch."

Here in the colonies, it can't be much better. Because in England, everyone is jammed together; there's a surveillance camera every six feet, and if you even think about breaking the law, they've got you on video. Here in the New World, there's plenty of wide open space to evade detection.

Speaking of confessions, I'm probably guilty of every violation on the survey, although I can't remember the last time I had sex in public and don't know how to download music illegally (without getting a virus). But the spirit is willing.

There's comfort in numbers. According to the survey, 79 per cent of Brits violate the speed limit. And that's only because traffic is bad.

Are people getting worse or are there just too many laws? The spokesman for the survey company thinks Brits are so used to breaking the law on a daily basis they hardly notice. And he thinks it's much worse than 21 times per year. Most people don't know, for example, that it's illegal to ride your bike on the sidewalk or fail to pick up after your cockapoo.

It's just too easy to break the vast array of unenforceable laws that allegedly govern our behaviour. The solution — to pass more laws in an attempt to bludgeon us into submission — just feeds our criminal intent.

So it's kind of hilarious when Stephen Harper says he is going to get tough on crime and we all nod our heads in solemn accord. Right.

And by the way, how many laws did HE break yesterday?

Read more of Paul Sullivan's columns at metronews.ca/justsaying

metro life panel

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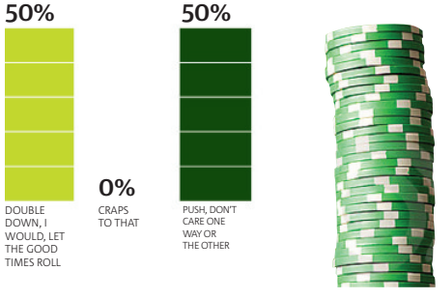


Local tweets

- **@DannyKidRadio:** I get the best of both worlds! all sun for #yyc today and 24 for #yeg tomorrow! Hellooooo spring! ... love my life
- **@stopwaight:** Just because it's sunny out does not mean you should be shirtless downtown at lunch. Thanks #yyc
- **@spryd:** Holy crap, I almost missed my ctrain stop in #yyc. Was engrossed in @metrocalgary articles.
- **@dustinpaisley:** Benefits of unemployment. First sunburn of the year. #yyc #doubledigits
- **@evclark:** Nothing like a little natural vitamin D to make #yyc happy!
- **@hthrwritesstuff:** Hey #YYC — important question. Should I come for Stampede, or a random week in August?
- **@aspirepixel:** laying in the hammock, beer in hand on a sunny afternoon in #yyc HELL YEAH!
- **@kylemacquarrie:** Can confirm there are an inordinate number of bad drivers out today. #yyc
- **@lorenalynne:** So busy! But the sunshine in #yyc makes me feel motivated #bigday

Letters

OTTAWA. In the past I have always been a supporter of NDP policy and continue to agree with many of their principles.

However, the recent articles outlining their intended efforts to strengthen Quebec's language laws upset me.

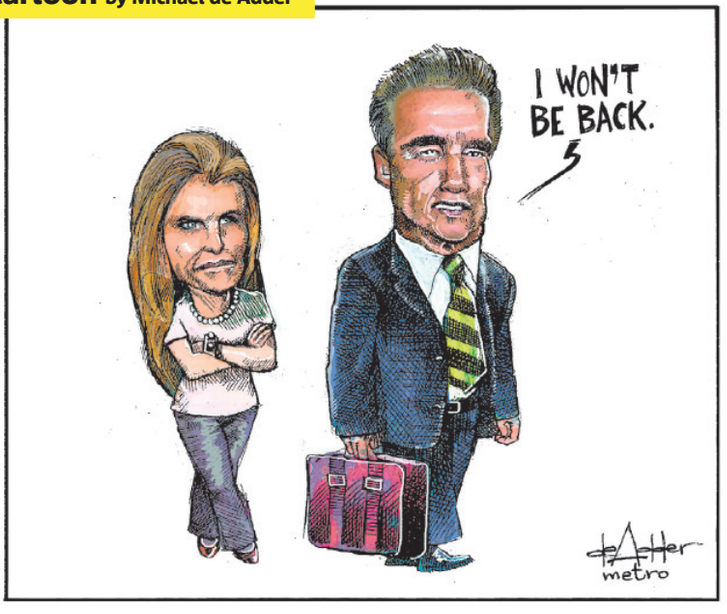
Every position in federal and provincial governments does not require French language skills. Many people know someone who was paid to attend mandatory French language training and never uses it.

Jack Layton

Many university educated anglophones are excluded from jobs and careers because of current policy. The language restrictions need to be relaxed, not get more stringent. I have no problem with advancing bilingual candidates where a position truly warrants it, since speaking two languages is certainly an asset. I feel so strongly about this issue that the NDP has lost me as a supporter.

NATASHA SOROKAN

Cartoon by Michael de Adder



WEIRD NEWS

Rome rejects rumbling rumours

Italian officials are going to extraordinary lengths to try to debunk an urban legend predicting a devastating earthquake in Rome today.

The country's civil protection department has posted an information packet on its website stressing that quakes can't be predicted and Rome isn't particularly at risk.

The national geophysics institute will open its doors to the public today to inform the curious and the concerned about seismology.

The effort is all designed to debunk a purported prediction of a major Roman quake on May 11, 2011, attributed to self-taught seismologist Raffaele Bendandi, who died in 1979. The only problem is Bendandi never made the prediction, says Paola Lagorio, president of the association in charge of Bendandi's documentation.

Lagorio insists there is no evidence in Bendandi's papers of any such precise prediction and blames unidentified forces who want to "frighten people and create this situation of panic that is attributed to a prediction Bendandi never made."

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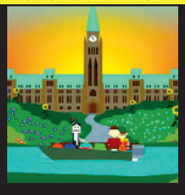

Canada gets to celebrate an over-the-top royal wedding of its own this week thanks to South Park.

The foul-mouthed animated series spoofs the nuptials of Will and Kate on Wednesday with a special episode all about a Canuck royal union.

This ceremony features "the prince of Canada," who is "aboot" to wed a princess in a televised ceremony watched by "literally thousands."

The episode airs Wednesday on the Comedy Network and repeats Friday.

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Sarah Ferguson tells Oprah Winfrey it was 'difficult' not to be invited to royal wedding

His booty's full of awards

Geoffrey Rush tells Metro how he lives the life of an award-winning actor and a pirate

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Geoffrey Rush plays Captain Barbossa in the fourth installment of The Pirates of the Caribbean.

Coming off the critical raves — plus awards and nominations — he received for The King's Speech, Australian actor Geoffrey Rush is easing back into his pirate drawl to once again play Capt. Barbossa opposite Johnny Depp's Jack Sparrow in Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides.

Metro sat down for a one-on-one with the Oscar winner.

I hear you snuck into one of the press screenings to catch the film.

I thought I wanted to hold off until [the premiere at] Disney Land and do all of that stuff, but there are three journeys in this film that are on individual ships, so I only knew everything that happened to Barbossa and the Royal Navy on the Providence, but I had no idea how they'd shot the mermaid stuff, how they'd done the Queen Anne's Revenge. It was fantastic; it was really thrilling.

What do you think of how Barbossa has progressed from the first film?

It's an enjoyable thing. I think we would've run out of validity for him being part of the storyline if he'd remained only the kind of dark, black-hearted mercenary villain from Part One. And within the story, in the trilogy and now in Part Four, they've brought in Cutler Beckett from the East India Trading Company as a kind of corporate villain adversary for Jack Sparrow, and there's been Davy Jones and now we've got Blackbeard. That's given Barbossa room to move.

With two more films planned for the series, where do you see him going?

Johnny and I were saying, you know, if only these two guys could get together, they would be the best kick-ass team in the world. Because Jack's got an extraordinary daring, improvisational, "take the crises as they come and deal with them" (attitude), and Barbossa fancies himself as a rather brilliant strategic long-term-planning mastermind. But they're always at odds, completely.

Are you familiar with the phrase "EGOT"?

I've been made aware of it. I know it came up in a 30 Rock episode.

It means winning an Emmy, a Grammy, an Oscar and a Tony. You have three. Do you have any plans to try to win a Grammy?

(laughs) Oh, well, you know. I had no thought way back even of being honoured by the Academy with an Oscar, and I remember thinking, "It's highly unlikely that I'll end up doing anything for American television, so where would an Emmy come from?"

Let alone a Tony, because — particularly with Exit the King, taking an Australian production to Broadway, there was no precedent for that.

But the Grammy thing, I don't know. I'll have to put out a rather boring album of poetry or something.

(laughs) You know, it's not keeping me awake.

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Al Pacino arrives at the HBO Emmy party.

Pacino's gotta be in Gotti

Al Pacino is telling a new mob family story in the crime saga Gotti: Three Generations.

Pacino will play Gambino crime family underboss Neil Dellacroce, an associate and mentor to John Gotti Sr. (John Travolta), says the film's producer, Fiore Films.

Gotti reunites Pacino with Levinson, who directed the actor in his role as Dr. Jack Kevorkian in last year's TV movie You Don't Know Jack, for which Pacino won an Emmy. Levinson also was a producer on Pacino's 1997 crime drama Donnie Brasco and co-wrote his 1979 court saga And Justice for All.

The cast also includes Lindsay Lohan, Joe Pesci and Travolta's wife, Kelly Preston.

"There's this whole thing about fathers and sons that plays through this piece," Levinson said of the film, based on the life story of Gotti's son, John Gotti Jr.

"You had a huge character in John Gotti, who's basically old school and believed in the structure of that whole system, and the son at a certain point in time basically begins to reject it and wants out of it. He says, 'I can't live my life this way,' so I think that's a real conflict," said Levinson.

Fiore Films made the announcement yesterday in Cannes, where the 64th Cannes Film Festival opens today.

"Al Pacino is one of the finest actors of all time and will bring an unsurpassed level of reality and excitement to the film," said Marc Fiore, the company's CEO.

The big casting question left is who will play Gotti Jr.

"My guess is it's going to be someone that we may not really know," Levinson said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PRIESTS DOMINATE BIG SCREEN

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What role do Paul Bettany, Robert de Niro, Rowan Atkinson and Max von Sydow share? Mr. Jennifer Connelly, the Oscar winner, Mr. Bean, and the legendary Swedish superstar all have one part in common; they have all played priests on the big screen.

In this weekend's post-apocalyptic action horror film, Priest, Bettany plays the title character, a warrior pastor hunting the vampires who kidnapped his niece. Based on Min-Woo Hyung's graphic novels, the movie also features Christopher Plummer as the Monsignor, described by the legendary Canadian actor as "a horrible priest gone wrong — a lovely, stylish villain."

In the Barry Levinson film, Sleepers, De Niro was Father Bobby, a Hell's Kitchen priest who lies in court to prevent four of his parishioners from going to jail for killing a sadistic prison guard.

Atkinson played Father Gerald, a new vicar performing his first marriage ceremony in Four Weddings and a Funeral. The tongue-tied priest has some of the film's funniest lines, including, "In the name of the father, the son and the holy goat. Er... ghost."

Probably the most famous movie celebrant is Father Lankester Merrin, as portrayed by Max von Sydow in The Exorcist and the Exorcist II: The HereticVon. Sydow is one of the few actors to have played both God in The Greatest Story Ever Told and the Devil in Needful Things. But, it his first film and the iconic line "The Power of Christ compels you!" that is most memorable.

Fresh directors take the spotlight at Cannes

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METRO WORLD NEWS IN FRANCE

Who said Cannes is a private club? The 64th Cannes Film Festival, which opens today, is full of fresh new talents with seven first time directors, two of them candidates for the famous Palme d'Or.

"It's a happy coincidence," says Cannes boss Thierry Frémaux. "We didn't choose young directors on purpose, but it turned out they deserved to compete with the likes of Pedro Almodovar, Nanni Moretti or Lars Von Trier."

Among the newcomers is Australian writer Julia Leigh with her first film, Sleeping Beauty. This erotic tale of a young call girl, who forgets about her clients in the morning, stars Emily Browning, the lead actress in Hollywood blockbuster Sucker Punch.

Another first time director is Austrian Markus Schleinzer, a former casting director of Palme d'Or winner Michael Haneke.

His movie, Michael, may create strong controversy since its main character is a pedophile murderer.

Other fresh directors are French actress Maiwenn, who will present Polisse, a cop movie with French rapper JoeyStarr; the Danish Nicolas Winding Refn, who brings, Drive, his first American film starring actor Ryan Gosling; and Scottish director Lynne Ramsay, with We Need to Talk About Kevin, the portrait of a teenage sociopath.

Could they win the Palme d'Or? It happened in the past. Martin Scorsese with Taxi Driver in 1976, Steven Soderbergh with Sex, Lies and Videotape in 1989, Australian Jane Campion in 1993 with The Piano and Quentin Tarantino with Pulp Fiction in 1994. Who will be next?

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▶ British actress Tilda Swinton stars in We Need to Talk About Kevin featured at the 64th Cannes Film Festival.

Schwarzenegger says that he won't be back

Maria Shriver and Arnold release statement that they are now living apart

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▶ Arnold Schwarzenegger and wife Maria Shriver

Former California governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and wife Maria Shriver have separated, according to the Los Angeles Times.

"At this time, we are living apart while we work on the future of our relationship," the couple says in a statement.

"We are continuing to parent our four children together. They are the light and the center of both of our lives. We consider this a private matter and neither we nor any of our friends or family will have further comment."

The couple celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary last month.

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Talking points

Taking a royal honeymoon

NOT CHUMP CHANGE. Prince William and his new wife, Princess Catherine, have finally left on their royal honeymoon, though that's about all the information their spokespeople want to divulge.

"We are not confirming, and we are not commenting, on speculation on where they may be going on their private honeymoon, we are just confirming that they have gone," a spokesman said, adding, "The couple have asked that their privacy be respected during their honeymoon."

The Daily Mail reports the couple are staying in a $6,500 a night villa.

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Celebrity tweets

@justinbieber

"it's kinda lame when someone you met briefly and never worked with comments on you. I will continue to wish them luck and be kind."

@jessicaalba

"Trying to motivate to workout for the last 45 min... Argh -O.k. I'm gonna do it."

@SteveMartinToGo

"The phrase "no man is an island" is incorrect. Bubba Carr, 42, of Norso, TN, is actually an island, with palm tree & fruit stand."

▶ Whitney Houston

Whitney Hosuton going back to rehab

Whitney Houston is back in rehab and has been receiving treatment for at least 10 days, according to People magazine.

"Whitney Houston is currently in an out-patient rehab program for drug and alcohol treatment," the singer's rep says.

"Whitney voluntarily entered the program to support her long-standing recovery process."

"Whitney Houston is currently in an out-patient rehab program"
WHITNEY HOUSTON REPRESENTATIVE

The treatment is most likely professionally motivated, according to TMZ:

"She's cleansing herself to get ready for a new movie," a source says of the singer, who hopped up on stage with Prince during a concert in L.A. last week.

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Hot on Captain Jack Sparrow's trail

The fourth installment of the Pirates of the Caribbean franchise was filmed in some amazing locations around the globe that are worthy of a voyage of your own to explore

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▶ Palominito Beach in Puerto Rico is just one of the great locations that was used for shooting of Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides.

The producers behind the Pirates of the Caribbean franchise didn't let the series' name limit them when it came to locations for the latest film, sending Johnny Depp's loveable Capt. Jack Sparrow around the world in search of the fabled Fountain of Youth, from London to Hawaii and, of course, to the Caribbean.

Metro has handily charted his course so that you can embark on your own quest.

FIRST STOP: LONDON

The film starts with a high-speed carriage chase through 18th century London, something difficult to recreate in 2011. But while in England's capital, check out some of the film's exterior locations, including the Old Royal Naval College in Greenwich and Hampton Court Palace, once the home of Henry VIII, which stood in for St. James Court.

SECOND STOP: HAWAII

The On Stranger Tides action then heads to Hawaii. Most of the film's sailing footage was shot in the pristine waters off the coast of Oahu, with the crew making landfall on Kauai. "There's a section of this movie which is very Indiana Jones-like, where there's a trek through the most amazing jungles you've ever seen," says production designer John Myhre. "We found these unbelievable jungles on Kauai — jungles, waterfalls. Huge over-scaled growth, the most beautiful mountains you've ever seen."

THIRD STOP: PUERTO RICO

Finally, the film winds up in the actual Caribbean, shooting on the gorgeous white sands of Palominito, an islet off the northeastern coast of Puerto Rico. The uninhabited gem is reachable by boat, and only Depp and co-star Penelope Cruz set foot on the beach, with the rest of the crew bobbing off-shore so as not to leave any footprints. The crew also filmed scenes on the main island, using Old San Juan's spectacular Castillo de San Cristobal, a massive fort built by the Spanish in 1783.

60 seconds

GETTING THE LOOK OF ON STRANGER TIDES

Academy Award-winning production designer John Myhre told us about filming and travelling for the latest Pirates of the Caribbean.

How did the look of this installment differ from the others?
Our movie had a much more rugged look to it, so our world of Pirates of the Caribbean wasn't necessarily white-sand beaches and beautiful palm trees. We found beautiful rocky areas. We used a beautiful spot on Oahu called Halona Cove as a rocky cove that they need to go to start their trek on finding some mermaids.

If you were to return to one of the film's locations for a holiday, which would it be?
I just fell in love with Kauai. Kauai to me was everything that you want Hawaii to be. It was just such lush, beautiful, gorgeous vegetation.

Travel in brief

Bob Thirsk gave his sleeping bag. Chris Hadfield offered his guitar. And Julie Payette donated a toothbrush and some leftover food. They're among about 20 items that went to space and back and were provided by Canadian astronauts for a new long-term exhibition at the Canada Aviation and Space Museum, which opens May 12.
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▶ The house in Amherst, Mass., where the reclusive poet Emily Dickinson lived and died.

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▶ A biker riding past the Goodnough Dike around the Quabbin Reservoir in Ware, Mass., which is sometimes described as an "accidental wilderness."

A trip to western Massachusetts

There is plenty of history, charm and 'accidental' beauty in the region Delve in all that is Emily Dickinson

Some tourist attractions can be easily experienced, by taking in a scenic view or driving down a famous byway. But other places must be explored to be appreciated, with layers revealed as you go. That's how it is in western Massachusetts, with sites like the Emily Dickinson Museum, the Quabbin Reservoir's "accidental wilderness" and many other treasures — from great restaurants to unusual bookstores — waiting to be discovered.

Of course there are Walmarts, Starbucks and Dunkin' Donuts here, just like everywhere else. But you can also tune into the region's bucolic, historic side by driving along winding roads past small farms, town squares, and communities founded in the 17th and 18th centuries. One of the region's nicknames, the Pioneer Valley, was a promotional name dreamed up by businessmen in the early 1900s harking back to those early settlements.

As you roam around, you'll see that each town has a unique claim to fame. Deerfield is famous as the site of an attack in 1704 by Native Americans and their French allies in which more than 40 villagers were killed and over 100 taken captive. South Deerfield is home to the Yankee Candle flagship store, where Santa's elves are always hard at work and it snows indoors every four minutes. In Shelburne Falls, blooms change by the season on the Bridge of Flowers. Tulips were big in early May, vibrant pink peonies will flower soon.

Another side of the area's personality comes through in a different nickname — the Happy Valley, which suits the counterculture vibe that's perhaps inevitable with so many college campuses nearby (Amherst College, Mount Holyoke, Hampshire, Smith and UMass-Amherst among others), along with generations of alumni who never left.

For a unique outdoor experience, visit Quabbin Park, which was created in the 1930s when four towns were moved to make way for a 101-square-kilometre reservoir fed by local rivers. The watershed area consists of 48,000 hectares of forests and meadows cleared of human habitation to keep the waters pristine. The reservoir supplies water to more than two million people in 51 communities, and the landscape is an unusual mix of engineering, human history and open space.

"The term accidental wilderness captures the essence of it," said Clif Read, supervisor of Quabbin's interpretive services. "It was not designed as a wilderness area or wildlife sanctuary or state park, but because of the protection of the area around the drinking water, it has become wild."

Set aside a couple of hours to immerse yourself in the world of Emily Dickinson. Even the poet's most ardent fans might be daunted by the prospect of a 90-minute tour of the Homestead, the house where she lived and died, and the Evergreens, a neighbouring home where her brother's family lived. But the tour is fascinating and feels more like a two-act play than a museum visit. (A 45-minute version of the tour skips the Evergreens.)

Ask at the museum for directions to West Cemetery, where Dickinson is buried, less than a 10-minute walk away. The tombstone bears the words "Called back," a phrase the poet used in a letter shortly before her death, suggesting perhaps that she was not quite of this world.

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If you go ...

- **Emily Dickinson Museum.** 280 Main St., Amherst, Mass.; emilydickinsonmuseum.org or 413-542-8161. Tours, $10 for 90 minutes, $8 for 45 minutes.
- **Quabbin Reservoir and Park.** Visitor Center, 485 Ware Rd., Route 9, Belchertown, Mass. mass.gov/dcr/parks/central/quabbin.htm or 413-323-7221.

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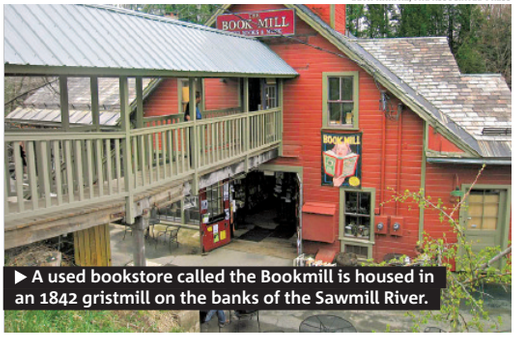

▶ A used bookstore called the Bookmill is housed in an 1842 gristmill on the banks of the Sawmill River.

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▶ IndyCars are set to hit the streets of Edmonton again this summer from July 22-24. It is just one of the exciting events going on in the city that is bound to draw in visitors.

Edmonton, the city of festivals

There is a wide variety of events on this summer in Alberta's capital ◗ Motor racing, buskers and folk music

Visitors, start your engines!

A revamped IndyCar race at the downtown airport of Alberta's capital city highlights a summer of vacation fun in what is known as the province's "Festival City."

"Bring your earplugs and bring your sunblock," said Anne Roy of Octane Motorsports, which is overseeing the July 22-24 Edmonton Indy.

It's the sixth open-wheel race to run in the city but the first on a revamped 13-turn circuit that features a straightaway rivalling the oval track at the famed Indianapolis Speedway.

"I'm excited to go out and see exactly where the track is going to lay out," said Toronto's Paul Tracy, one of three Canadian drivers who will suit up for the race.

The Indy race is just one of the premier events taking place in Edmonton this summer. The festival season kicks off with The Works Art and Design Festival from June 23 to July 5.

It's the largest art and design festival of its kind in North America and will showcase the work of artists from around the world in more than 250 exhibits, workshops and performances in sites in and around the downtown core.

Those who want to bask in buskers can stay in the heart of the city and enjoy the Edmonton International Street Performers Festival from July 8-17 in Churchill Square..

Capital EX is Edmonton's long-running midway carnival, the successor to the old Klondike Days. It's famous for its carnival rides, midway, casino, parades, concerts and nightly fireworks. The show this year is from July 22-31.

The Edmonton Folk Music Festival hits the stage from Aug. 4 to Aug. 7 in Gallagher Park, just south of downtown. Confirmed artists for this year include k.d. lang and Joe Louis Walker.

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Don't miss the fringe fest

The capstone to the season is the widely acclaimed Edmonton International Fringe Theatre Festival.

This year is the 30th anniversary of what has become the largest theatre event of its kind in North America. It will take place Aug. 11 to Aug. 21, and promises a range of works from the endearingly kitschy to unforgettable moments of theatre magic.

For more info on Edmonton events: edmontonindy.com, eventsedmonton.ca, edmontonstreeetfest.com, fringetheatre.ca, capitalx.ca, heritagefestival.com, theworks.ab.ca, efmf.ab.ca.

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Ideas for off-season travel options

If you were thinking of hitting the hottest beach spots or the national parks' best hotels this summer, booking at this late date could require a serious investment.

But there are still ways to take a great vacation without sacrificing your wallet. Consider travelling where everyone else does not at this time of year, like a ski resort or an island just outside the hurricane belt.

Here are five tips for booking off-season vacations in high-style locations.

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Head to the Hills

Ski resorts remain popular destinations off-season; vacationers can ride ski lifts into the mountains for hiking, mountain biking and many other summer activities. But you will spend much less for lodging than during the winter.

"You can get a really great discount, I would say somewhere between 20 to 40 per cent," by booking off-season, says Anne Banas, executive editor of smartertravel.com.

FLICKR: DAVID STANLEY

Do your ABCs

A vacation to much of the Caribbean during hurricane season — which runs from June through November — can be unpredictable or worse. But some Caribbean islands lie outside the hurricane belt, and prices there drop for the summer too.

Though not bargain-basement cheap, a trip to the so-called ABC islands — Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao — is more affordable in summer than winter, and you will be outside the danger zone.

FLICKR: TIMWILSON

Try the Gulf

Yes, that Gulf. The Gulf of Mexico. A year after the oil spill, Gulf coasters want people to come back, and they are ready to deal.

"It's beautiful, and hotel rates are still lower than they have been," says Jason Clampet, senior online editor of Frommers.com. He estimates that staying in many Gulf of Mexico resorts now costs roughly what it did in 2004.

FLICKR: ED BIERMAN

Go to Town

Banas says a trip to a major metropolis like New York, Boston or Chicago can be had at a discount in the summer. "You want to think of alternatives to what everyone else wants to do," says Banas.

Particularly in August, city dwellers flee in droves, and top hotels — especially those that cater to business travellers — often are in need of customers, Banas said. Also consider renting a place from one of those vacationing residents through a website like airbnb.com.

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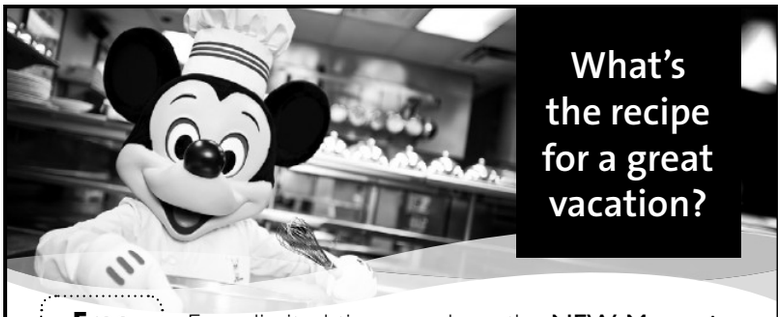
Be Flexible

Above all, if you stay flexible about every aspect of your trip, you will save the most.

For deals, Clampet recommends "flash" travel sites, which take the approach of members-only clothing and accessories sellers like Rue La La or Gilt and offer travel at steep discounts for brief periods. Options include sniqueaway.com, VoyagePrive.com and jetsetter.com. Because these sites are new, they're very competitive, Clampet says.



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Bruschetta for breakfast

Strawberries and ricotta make this a sweet twist on a classic

Traditional tomato bruschetta has become so ubiquitous you can even buy jars of prepared toppings and pre-toasted bread. So we decided to reinvent it as a breakfast or dessert item.

Instead of starting with garlic-rubbed toast, we take slices of baguette and slather them with low-fat, yet creamy part-skim ricotta cheese.

If you like, you could vary the recipe by using reduced-fat cream cheese or even thick Greek-style yogurt.

We then top them with sliced strawberries and a drizzle of honey — reminiscent of the tomatoes and olive oil from traditional versions.

Capping the creamy strawberry toasts is a sprinkle of herbs to add a fresh counterpoint to all the sweetness.

While this strawberry-ricotta bruschetta is a natural fit as part of a breakfast or brunch, they make a tasty appetizer as well.

Preparation:

1. Place baguette slices on baking sheet and toast in 400 F (200 C) oven for about 8 minutes or until lightly golden.

▶ Strawberry-Ricotta Bruschetta

2. Spread each slice with about 1 tbsp (15 mL) of ricotta cheese. Divide diced strawberries among slices of toast.

3. Drizzle with honey and sprinkle with mint to serve.

4. Place baguette slices on baking sheet and toast in 400 F (200 C) oven for about 8 minutes or until lightly golden. Makes 10 servings (2 slices per serving)

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Ingredients:

- 1 baguette (12 inches/30 cm long), cut into 20 slices
- 1 1/4 cups (300 mL) part-skim ricotta cheese
- 1 lb (500 g) strawberries, hulled and finely diced
- Liquid honey
- 20 fresh mint or basil leaves, cut into thin strips

Ricotta Brunch Trifle

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For a fresh, spring themed dessert, get the kids involved in layering on the tiers of this tantalizing trifle.

Preparation:

1. In bowl, whisk together ricotta cheese, orange zest and juice, and honey; set aside.

2. In large bowl, combine strawberries, blueberries and bananas.

3. Place one third of the cookies on the bottom of a trifle bowl or 7-cup (1.75 L) flat bottomed bowl.

4. Top with one third of the ricotta mixture and one third of the fruit mixture. Repeat twice with remaining ingredients

5. Cover and refrigerate for at least 2 hours or for up to 1 day. Garnish with mint before serving. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Tip: The longer the trifle is refrigerated, the softer the amaretti cookies will be. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ingredients:

- 1 tub (475 g) smooth ricotta cheese
- 2 tsp (10 mL) grated orange zest
- ¼ cup (60 mL) orange juice
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) liquid honey
- 2 cups (500 mL) quartered strawberries
- 1-½ cups (375 mL) fresh blueberries or raspberries
- 1 banana, sliced
- 1 pkg (6 oz/175 g) amaretti cookies
- Fresh mint leaves

It's not all about words on a paper

STUDENT VOICE

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My curiousity and interests led me to graduate with two degrees from the University of Ottawa: a degree in biochemistry and a degree in chemical engineering.

While still in school, I was warned that landing a job would be difficult, so I attended several career fairs and actively researched the job market.

A year later, I am still looking for work. Family friends frequently point out that their son with only one degree has found a job, so what am I doing wrong?

Having two degrees, I am considered over-qualified for some positions, while lacking the experience employers expect. I have laboratory research experience in the university and hospital setting; however this does not qualify as engineering experience.

Post-graduation is difficult for everyone. I have friends who have done co-op placements with the government, with rave reviews from their bosses, only to not land a job after graduation due to departmental freezes.

Success comes from good timing, being open-minded and persistent, but in the end it's dumb luck!

Most of my colleagues have gotten jobs by networking with their contacts. A friend of mine landed a job through someone his mom met while working out at the gym.

I think employers should organize more events where potential recruits can meet with company members as part of the application process. A good personality and passion for the organization's work is much more important in the long term than experience.

While the volume of applicants makes it impossible to allow job seekers to call or meet with employers, many excellent candidates will be overlooked if screening is done solely on the basis of the number of key words that exactly reiterate the job requirements.

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Where Sarah is now

I will attend career fairs to try to meet employers face to face rather than relying on online applications. Meanwhile, I am studying classical oil painting techniques, freelancing as a graphic designer and working part-time as an art assistant and portraiture model. As you can imagine, it is really devastating for someone to go through focused professional college-like training, only to not find work in their chosen field. Art has taught me to be patient through the hard times.

What I learned

Key take-aways from Sarah's school-to-work transition

- Before you graduate, research what kind of experience is in-demand in your industry by asking your professors, searching online and arranging informational interviews with professionals in your field.
- Tell everyone in your network that you're looking for work – you never know who might be able to hook you up with your dream job!

Students, drop the pizza and gimme 20

The exams are done, the books stashed away and many students who have spent their first year of university hunched over desks indoors are looking to get out and get active.

After two sedentary semesters where pizza and pop were too often part of the daily diet, a number of students plan to spend the summer learning how to eat well and exercise more often.

Ilene Shioguchi is one of them. Between classes, course work and constant deadlines, the first-year Ryerson student feels as if she never had the chance to exercise.

It's a person like Shioguchi that a class like Frosh Fit, and similar programs being offered to students across the country, have in mind. The free program offered by the University of Toronto combines resistance training, cardio circuits and core-based movements. In addition to the exercise, it also features regular visits from a certified nutritionist who helps students make wise food choices.

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▶ The sunny spring weather offers no excuse to stay inside.

"It's important to have a holistic approach to fitness, to show that it's all connected," says Jill Cressy, assistant manager of fitness and instruction at the university's faculty of physical education and health.

Cressy points out that classes like Frosh Fit aren't just about looking good in tank tops and summer shorts – they're a social support as well.

"It's about feeling healthy, feeling alert, feeling energized," she says. "It's supporting healthy body image and healthy self-esteem."

For those summering students who want to kick things up a notch, there's always bootcamp.

A variety of bootcamp courses offered at universities and by private instructors provide a more intense experience for those who want to whip themselves into shape. But don't let the name intimidate you.

"Nobody will be left behind," says Amy Allen, health and fitness co-ordinator at the University of Victoria, which offers a bootcamp catering to any fitness level.

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Are you ready to tough it out alone?

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To own a small business: For generations, it has been the dream of self-starters fed up with that somebody they've got to serve.

But with unemployment up, small biz gurus say that self-employment is today less an entrepreneur's fantasy than the only sure place to land a job — at Me, Myself, & I LLP.

"There are certainly people sitting around saying, 'I have no other option," author John Jantsch of Duct Tape Marketing, says.

They should know that the option isn't as easy as it was in kinder recessions,

Small Business Is Like a Bunch of Bananas author Jim Blasingame says.

The unemployables of the early '90s, he notes, dropped their job hunting spears to sow the start-ups that made millions in the late 90s.

But they enjoyed loans more generous than any post-crash bank would dare extend.

"When it comes to traditional access to boot-strapping start-up money, both the major sources dried up in 2008," he explained.

Credit card ceilings fell to the floor, he said. Never mind the other source of start-up loot for most small businesses: a house.

"What banks are going to give you a home equity loan these days?" he said.

No Money No Problems

The good news, Jantsch counters, is that you don't need the kind of cash you used to.

"In a way there's never been a better time to start a business, because you can get into some fashion of a business for little or no money," he says.

"The internet has equipped people with some incredible tools, giving them a reach that's global, and in that regard, faced with no choice, that can make this a great time to do it."

The problem, Blasingame says, is that you'll likely be up against ultra-lean, price-undercutting companies that have survived a bloodletting recession that only made stronger what it didn't kill.

"The companies you are going to be competing with have come through the fire," he says. "They know what it costs to make a profit, they know what it takes to be competitive, and if they didn't know, they wouldn't still be in business. If you delude yourself into thinking you can outprice them, you're going to fail."

ISTOCK

▶ Small businesses of today know how to manage themselves in dire straits. Can you compete?

All About You

Picking the moment for your small business launch may be less about where the economy is, than where you are, NAME cautions. Are you sufficiently experienced? Are you willing and able to put in 12-hour days for months on end? Do you have the clientele?

"In America, there's never a time when you should not start a small business, but they're might be a time when you're not prepared," he says.

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Red Wings force Sharks to Game 7

Detroit climbs back from 3-0 hole to send series to deciding game

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WINGS	SHARKS

Henrik Zetterberg and Valtteri Filppula scored less than two minutes apart in the third period, and the Detroit Red Wings rallied again for a 3-1 victory over the San Jose Sharks last night, forcing a decisive seventh game after trailing 3-0 in the second-round series.

San Jose must defend home ice tomorrow night to avoid becoming the fourth NHL team to lose a best-of-seven series after leading 3-0. San Jose's Logan Couture scored early in the third period, but Zetterberg tied it with 9:22 remaining, and Filppula scored the winner with 7:28 left.

Darren Helm added an empty-net goal. Every other game in the series was decided by one goal.

Detroit scored the last three goals of Game 5 to win 4-3.

Philadelphia came all the way back last year in the second round, winning the final four games against Boston.

The recent success makes the task seem less daunting for the Red Wings.

Skating with confidence and desperation, the Red Wings outshot San Jose 45-25, but they were on the verge of elimination after Couture batted a rebound out of midair and the puck trickled past goalie Jimmy Howard with 16:06 remaining. The puck barely crossed the goal-line before Howard covered it with his glove, but the goal stood after a review.

Zetterberg tied it by deflecting a wrist shot by Niklas Kronwall past goalie Antti Niemi, and the Sharks never regained momentum. Filppula put Detroit ahead, converting a nice cross-ice pass by Pavel Datsyuk.

The Red Wings outplayed the Sharks from the start. At the midway point of the first period, Detroit had an 11-1 edge in shots, to the delight of the home crowd that had given the Red Wings a standing ovation when they took the ice.

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▶ Sharks goalie Antti Niemi stops a shot by Red Wings winger Dan Cleary last night.

Avery's same-sex stance draws criticism

New York Ranger Sean Avery's support for same-sex marriage has drawn fire from a hockey agent.

"Very sad to read Sean Avery's misguided support of same-gender 'marriage.' Legal or not, it will always be wrong," said a tweet from Todd Reynolds, vice-president of Uptown Sports Management, whose clientele includes Chris Neil, Cody McCormick and Mike Fisher.

Avery stated his support in a video that is part of the New Yorkers for Marriage Equality campaign.

After his initial tweet, Reynolds continued.

"To clarify. This is not hatred or bigotry towards gays. It is not intolerance in any way shape or form. I believe we are all equal."

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Sports in brief

Man City edges past Spurs

SOCCER. Manchester City qualified for the Champions League for the first time, beating Tottenham 1-0 yesterday on an own goal by Peter Crouch in the 30th minute.

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Ochocinco now rodeo bound

NFL. Cincinnati Bengals receiver Chad Ochocinco, who earlier this year had a tryout with Sporting Kansas City of MLS, has accepted a challenge from Professional Bull Riders chief operating officer Sean Gleason to ride a bull at the Lucas Oil Invitational this weekend in Duluth. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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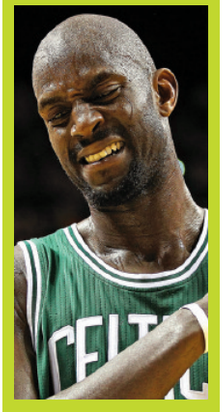

"When our back is against the wall, that's when we show great resilience ... We'll see what we're made of."

POWER FORWARD KEVIN GARNETT, WHOSE BOSTON CELTICS TRAIL THE MIAMI HEAT 3-1 IN THEIR SECOND-ROUND NBA SERIES, WITH GAME 5 TONIGHT IN SOUTH FLORIDA.

"This is not a team that you let your guard down against."

MIAMI'S DWYANE WADE ON THE CELTICS.

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Rose puts Bulls up 3-2 on Hawks

Derrick Rose scored 33 points, Luol Deng added 23 and the Chicago Bulls beat the Atlanta Hawks 95-83 in Game 5 of the Eastern Conference semifinals last night to take a 3-2 lead.

Taj Gibson had 11 points — all in the fourth quarter. Rose also scored 11 in the fourth, and the Bulls pounded the Hawks 26-15 in the quarter.

Chicago is one win from its first conference finals appearance since 1998.

Rose hit 11 of 24 shots and had nine assists. It was a big improvement over Game 4 when he needed 32 shots to score 34 points. Game 6 is tomorrow in Atlanta. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Kesler playing like playoff MVP

Selke Trophy finalist 'driving (Canucks) bus' in playoffs, says Vigneault

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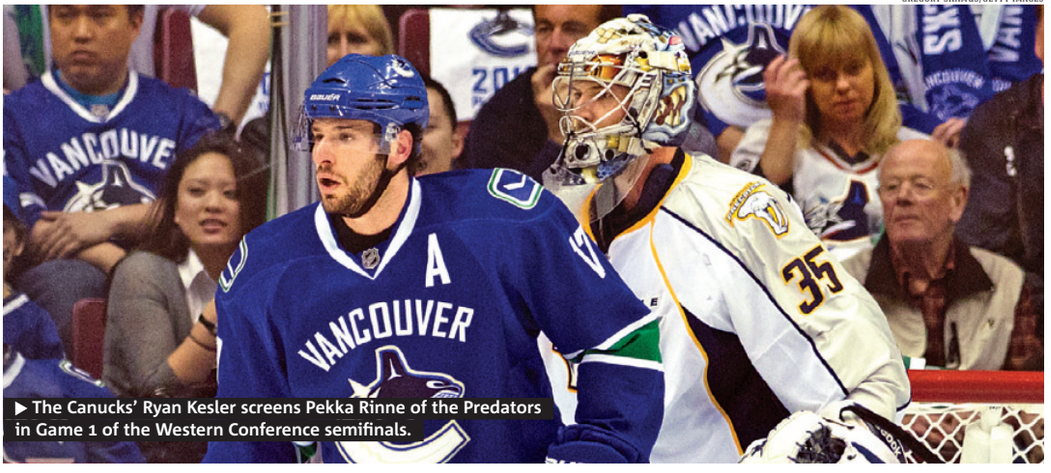

▶ The Canucks' Ryan Kesler screens Pekka Rinne of the Predators in Game 1 of the Western Conference semifinals.

Ryan Kesler can let his motor idle for a few days.

The gritty centre is the engine that helped drive the Vancouver Canucks over the Nashville Predators into the NHL Western Conference final. Kesler and his teammates will now have some time to relax and repair after the league announced Game 1 of the next series won't begin until Sunday (CBC, 8 p.m.) at Rogers Arena.

"It will be good to get some practice time and really get some down time," Kesler said yesterday. "Rest and recovery is going to be key because it's not going to get any easier going forward. We need to have everyone healthy and everyone going."

The Canucks will play in the conference final for the first time since 1994. It's only the third time in the franchise's 40-year history the team has advanced to the third round.

Kesler set the tone for Monday night's 2-1 victory in Game 6 by crashing into Predator goaltender Pekka Rinne early in the game, then assisted on both of Vancouver's goals.

During the series Kesler had five goals in three games. Two of his goals were game winners, one in overtime. He was on the ice for 11 of Vancouver's 14 goals and finished the series with 11 points.

Kesler's name has been mentioned as a potential playoff MVP. Nashville coach Barry Trotz even compared Kesler to Hall-of-Famer Mark Messier.

"You play the game to be your best," said Kesler. "For others to recognize that, especially the other team's coach to say something like that, obviously it's satisfying." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Stampeders sign pair of Canadians

Calgary Stampeders head coach and general manager John Hufnagel is filling gaps on his training-camp roster after off-season retirements and the loss of players to free agency.

The Stampeders have signed Canadian offensive linemen John Bender of Cochrane, Alta., and J'Michael Deane of Toronto.

"I believe they'll come in and compete at the inside position at guard," Hufnagel said yesterday in a conference call. "We'll see how they do at the guard position and then start utilizing them at tackle.

"This will be done over a matter of days and not weeks and then we can hone in on what we feel is their best position to compete for the rest of the camp."

Hufnagel expects to have Americans playing tackle, unless one of the Canadians excels there.

When Ben Archibald, named the CFL's top offensive lineman last season, signed as a free agent with the B.C. Lions, it created a gaping hole in Calgary's line. Also, veteran Rob Lazeo retired in February after 14 seasons in the league.

Rookie camps open June 1, followed by main camps June 5. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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CONFERENCE SEMI-FINALS

(Best-of-7 series)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON VS. TAMPA BAY
(Tampa Bay wins 4-0)
PHILADELPHIA VS. BOSTON
(Boston wins 4-0)

WESTERN CONFERENCE

VANCOUVER VS. NASHVILLE
(Vancouver wins 4-2)
Monday's result
Vancouver 2 Nashville 1
SAN JOSE VS. DETROIT
(Series tied 3-3)
Last night's result
Detroit 3 San Jose 1
Tomorrow's game
Detroit at San Jose, 9 p.m.

RED WINGS 3, SHARKS 1

First Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — Boyle SJ (holding) 3:59, Demers SJ (elbowing), Hudler Det (holding) 11:13, Kronwall Det (holding) 14:19, Setoguchi SJ (hooking) 14:51.
Second Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — Mitchell SJ (roughing), Datsyuk Det (holding, roughing) 4:35, Marleau SJ (boarding) 10:39, Holmstrom Det (goaltender interference) 11:32, Murray SJ (tripping) 19:10.
Third Period
1. San Jose, Couture 5 (Heatley) 3:54
2. Detroit, Zetterberg 2 (Kronwall, V.Filppula) 10:38
3. Detroit, V.Filppula 2 (Datsyuk) 12:32
4. Detroit, Helm 3, 18:55 (en)
Penalties — Abdelkader Det (holding) 13:14, Thornton SJ (slashing), Pavelski SJ, Couture SJ, Cleary Det, Stuart Det (roughing) 19:50.
Shots

San Jose	6	7	12	—25
Detroit	18	14	13	—45

Goal — San Jose: Niemi (L,6-5-0); Detroit: Howard (W,7-3-0). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — San Jose: 0-4; Detroit: 0-5.
Referees — Paul Devorski, Dan O'Rourke.
Linesmen — Scott Driscoll, Brad Kovachik.
Att. — 20,066 (20,066) at Detroit.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
Kesler, Vcr	5	10	15
Datsyuk, Det	3	11	14
Ward, Nash	7	6	13
St. Louis, TB	6	7	13
Clowe, SJ	4	9	13
Lecavalier, TB	5	7	12
P.Bergeron, Bos	2	10	12
Downie, TB	2	10	12
Giroux, Pha	1	11	12
Couture, SJ	5	6	11
Marchand, Bos	5	6	11
Purcell, TB	1	10	11
D.Sedin, Vcr	6	4	10
Horton, Bos	5	5	10
Krejci, Bos	5	5	10
Ovechkin, Wash	5	5	10
Cammalleri, Mtl	3	7	10
J.Thornton, SJ	2	8	10
Briere, Pha	7	2	9
Legwand, Nash	6	3	9
Boyle, SJ	2	7	9
Ehrhoff, Vcr	2	7	9
H.Sedin, Vcr	1	8	9
Bergenheim, TB	7	1	8
Burrows, Vcr	4	4	8
Lidstrom, Det	4	4	8
Heatley, SJ	3	5	8
Moore, TB	2	6	8
Perry, Ana	2	6	8
van Riemsdyk, Pha	7	0	7
Selanne, Ana	6	1	7
Pavelski, SJ	5	2	7
Kelly, Bos	4	3	7
Fisher, Nash	3	4	7
Holmstrom, Det	3	4	7
Filppula, Det	2	5	7
Gagne, TB	2	5	7
Recchi, Bos	2	5	7
Zetterberg, Det	2	5	7
Gragnani, Buf	1	6	7
S.Koivu, Ana	1	6	7
Laich, Wash	1	6	7
M.Richards, Pha	1	6	7
Wellwood, SJ	1	6	7
Setoguchi, SJ	5	1	6
Keith, Chi	4	2	6
Semin, Wash	4	2	6

LACROSSE

NLL PLAYOFFS

FINAL

Sunday's game
Washington at Toronto, 2 p.m. (EDT)

HOCKEY

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MEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

FINAL QUALIFICATION ROUND STANDINGS

Group E

	GP	W	OW	OL	L	GF	GA	Pt
Czech Rep.	5	5	0	0	0	19	7	15
Finland	5	2	2	0	1	16	10	10
Germany	5	2	0	2	1	15	17	8
Russia	5	2	0	1	2	12	14	7
Slovakia	5	1	0	0	4	13	14	3
Denmark	5	0	1	0	4	9	22	2

Group F

	GP	W	OW	OL	L	GF	GA	Pt
Canada	**5**	**3**	**2**	**0**	**0**	**23**	**11**	**13**
Sweden	5	3	0	1	1	18	10	10
Norway	5	2	1	0	2	17	15	8
USA	5	2	0	1	2	15	19	7
Switzerland	5	1	1	1	2	11	12	6
France	5	0	0	1	4	5	22	1

Note: 3 points for a regulation win, 2 for an overtime win and 1 for an overtime loss.
Monday's results
At Kosice
Canada 3 Sweden 2
Switzerland 5 United States 3
France 5 Norway 2
At Bratislava
Slovakia 4 Denmark 1
Finland 3 Russia 2 (SO)
Czech Republic 5 Germany 2
QUARTER-FINALS
All games at Bratislava
Today's games
All times Eastern
Czech Republic vs. United States, 10:15 a.m.
Sweden vs. Germany, 2:15 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
Finland vs. Norway, 10:15 a.m.
Canada vs. Russia, 2:15 p.m.
SEMI-FINALS
At Bratislava
Friday's games
Czech Republic-United States winner vs. Sweden-Germany winner, 10:15 a.m.
Finland-Norway winner vs. **Canada**-Russia winner, 2:15 p.m.
MEDAL ROUND
Sunday's games
At Bratislava
Bronze Medal
Semi-final Losers, 10 a.m.
Gold Medal
Semi-final Winners, 2:30 p.m.

MLB

BLUE JAYS 7, RED SOX 6 (10 ING)

Boston	ab	r	h	bi	Toronto	ab	r	h	bi
Ellsury cf	6	0	3	0	YEscor ss	2	1	1	0
Pedroia 2b	4	1	2	0	Cooper pr-1b	1	1	1	2
AdGnzl 1b	6	2	3	3	CPttrsn lf	5	1	2	0
Youkils 3b	5	0	0	0	Bautist rf	4	2	1	1
Ortiz dh	5	2	3	1	Encrnc 1b-3b	4	0	1	1
J.Drew rf	5	0	2	0	A.Hill 2b	5	0	0	1
Lowrie ss	4	0	1	0	JRiver dh	3	0	0	1
Iglesias pr-ss	1	1	0	0	Arencii c	4	1	1	1
Crwfrd lf	5	0	1	1	JMcDnl 3b-ss	3	0	0	0
Sltlmch c	3	0	1	1	RDavis cf	5	1	2	0
DMcDn pr	0	0	0	0					
Varitek c	1	0	0	0					
Totals	**45**	**6**	**16**	**6**	**Totals**		**36**	**7**	**9** **7**
Boston			**010**		**120**	**011**		**0—6**	
Toronto			**300**		**011**	**010**		**1—7**	

Two outs when winning run scored.
E—Encarnacion (8), Cooper (1). DP—Toronto 1. LOB—Boston 12, Toronto 10. 2B—Ortiz (5), Lowrie (8), Encarnacion (12). 3B—R.Davis (2). HR—Ad.Gonzalez 2 (6), Ortiz (5), Cooper (1), Bautista (11), Arencibia (5). SB—Ellsbury (11), Pedroia (5), R.Davis 2 (9). CS—Pedroia (2), R.Davis (3). SF—Cooper.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Lester	5 1-3	7	5	5	5	5
R.Hill	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Aceves	1-3	0	0	0	2	0
Bard	1	1	1	1	0	1
Albers L,0-1	1 2-3	1	1	1	0	2
Toronto						
Drabek	5	8	4	4	3	5
Frasor	1	1	0	0	0	3
Rzepczynski BS,1-1	1 2-3	4	1	1	0	1
Rauch	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
F.Francisco BS,1-3	1	2	1	1	0	3
Villanueva W,1-0	1	1	0	0	0	0

Frasor pitched to 1 batter in the 7th.
HBP—by Lester (Y.Escobar), by Aceves (J.Rivera). WP—F.Francisco.
T—3:53. A—17,820 (49,260).

BLUE JAYS STATISTICS

BATTERS	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	AVG
Bautista	92	26	33	10	19	.359
Lind	128	19	40	7	27	.313
Escobar	125	19	33	3	9	.264
Patterson	96	11	25	2	15	.260
Molina	44	5	11	1	3	.250
Nix	45	7	11	2	5	.244
Encarnacion	103	10	25	0	8	.243
Hill	70	4	17	0	9	.243
Arencibia	88	6	21	4	11	.239
Rivera	103	8	23	2	8	.223
McDonald	74	9	15	1	5	.203
Davis	66	10	12	0	2	.182
Cooper	27	1	3	0	2	.111
PITCHERS	**W**	**L**	**SV**	**IP**	**SO**	**ERA**
Frasor	1	1	0	15.1	14	1.76
Villanueva	0	0	0	20.1	15	1.77
Janssen	0	0	0	14.1	9	1.88
Rzepczynski	2	0	0	15.2	17	2.30
Camp	0	1	0	18.0	8	2.50
Francisco	1	0	2	6.2	8	2.70
Rauch	1	2	5	13.1	8	3.38
Litsch	3	2	0	35.2	31	4.04
Romero	2	4	0	42.1	43	4.04
Drabek	2	2	0	38.0	28	4.50
Morrow	1	2	0	21.0	29	4.71
Reyes	0	3	0	36.0	24	5.00
Dotel	1	1	0	10.0	12	7.20

Last night's game not included

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	20	13	.606	—
Tampa Bay	20	15	.571	1
Boston	17	19	.472	4½
Toronto	16	20	.444	5½
Baltimore	15	19	.441	5½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	23	11	.676	—
Kansas City	18	17	.514	5½
Detroit	18	18	.500	6
Chicago	14	22	.389	10
Minnesota	12	21	.364	10½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	20	16	.556	—
Texas	19	18	.514	1½
Oakland	19	18	.514	1½
Seattle	16	20	.444	4

Last night's results
Toronto 7 Boston 6 (10 innings)
N.Y. Yankees 3 Kansas City 1
Baltimore 7 Seattle 6 (13 innings)
Cleveland 5 Tampa Bay 4
Texas 7 Oakland 2
Detroit at Minnesota
Chicago White Sox at L.A. Angels
Monday's results
Detroit 10 Toronto 5
Oakland 7 Texas 2
Chicago White Sox 8 L.A. Angels 0
Boston 2 Minnesota 1 (11 innings)
Today's games
All times Eastern
Detroit (Coke 1-5) at Minnesota (S.Baker 2-2), 1:10 p.m.
Oakland (G.Gonzalez 4-2) at Texas (Harrison 3-4), 2:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Chen 4-1) at N.Y. Yankees (A.J.Burnett 4-2), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (F.Hernandez 4-2) at Baltimore (Tillman 1-3), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Price 4-3) at Cleveland (C.Carrasco 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Lackey 2-4) at Toronto (Litsch 3-2), 7:07 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Peavy 0-0) at L.A. Angels (Chatwood 2-1), 10:05 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
Tampa Bay at Cleveland, 12:05 p.m.
Kansas City at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.
Seattle at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	23	12	.657	—
Florida	21	14	.600	2
Atlanta	20	17	.541	4
Washington	17	18	.486	6
New York	16	20	.444	7½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	21	15	.583	—
Cincinnati	20	16	.556	1
Pittsburgh	18	18	.500	3
Milwaukee	16	20	.444	5
Chicago	15	19	.441	5
Houston	13	23	.361	8

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Colorado	19	15	.559	—
San Francisco	18	16	.529	1
Los Angeles	17	20	.459	3½
Arizona	15	18	.455	3½
San Diego	14	22	.389	6

Last night's results
St. Louis 6 Chicago Cubs 4
Florida 2 Philadelphia 1
Cincinnati 7 Houston 3
Washington 7 Atlanta 6
Milwaukee 8 San Diego 6
L.A. Dodgers 10 Pittsburgh 3
N.Y. Mets 4 Colorado 3
Arizona at San Francisco
Monday's results
Colorado 2 N.Y. Mets 1
Cincinnati 6 Houston 1
Philadelphia 6 Florida 4
Milwaukee 4 San Diego 3
Pittsburgh 4 L.A. Dodgers 1
Today's games
All times Eastern
San Diego (Stauffer 0-1) at Milwaukee (Wolf 3-3), 1:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Volquez 3-1) at Houston (W.Rodriguez 2-3), 2:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Niese 1-4) at Colorado (Jimenez 0-2), 3:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Kuroda 3-3) at Pittsburgh (Maholm 1-4), 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Cl.Lee 2-3) at Florida (Nolasco 3-0), 7:10 p.m.
Washington (Lannan 2-4) at Atlanta (Hanson 4-3), 7:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Westbrook 2-2) at Chicago Cubs (Garza 1-4), 8:05 p.m.
Arizona (Galarraga 3-2) at San Francisco (J.Sanchez 2-2), 10:15 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
St. Louis at Chicago Cubs, 2:20 p.m.
Arizona at San Francisco, 3:45 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
Washington at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m.

SOCCER

MLS

Tonight's games
All times Eastern
Los Angeles at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Dallas, 9 p.m.
San Jose at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Saturday's games
Chicago at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Colorado at D.C. United, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at New England, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Houston at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.
Columbus at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
Kansas City at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Portland at Seattle, 11 p.m.
Sunday's games
Chivas USA at New York, 7 p.m.

CYCLING

GIRO D'ITALIA

At Livorno, Italy
Fourth Stage
1. Brice Feillu, France, Leopard Trek, 5 hr, 55 min, 58 sec; 2. Dominic Klemme, Germany, Leopard Trek, s.t.; **Also, Michael Barry, Toronto, Sky Procycling, 15 seconds behind.**
Overall Leaders
(after fourth of 21 stages)
1. David Millar, Britain, Garmin-Cervelo, 10 hr, 4 mins, 29 sec; 2. Angel Vicioso Arcos, Spain, Androni Giocattoli, 7 seconds behind.

TENNIS

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INTERNAZIONALI BNL D'ITALIA

At Rome
Men's Singles — First Round
Nicolas Almagro (9), Spain, def. Simone Bolelli, Italy, 6-0, 7-5.
Stanislas Wawrinka (14), Switzerland, def. Fabio Fognini, Italy, 6-7 (5), 6-2, 6-4.
Marin Cilic, Croatia, def. Ivo Karlovic, Croatia, 6-4, 1-0 (retired).
Sam Querrey, U.S., def. Kevin Anderson, South Africa, 7-6 (1), 1-0 (retired).
Ivan Ljubicic, Croatia, def. Flavio Cipolla, Italy, 6-2, 6-3.
Juan Ignacio Chela, Argentina, def. John Isner, U.S., 6-4, 6-1.
Feliciano Lopez, Spain, def. Michael Llodra, France, 7-6 (2), 6-1.
Paolo Lorenzi, Italy, def. Thomaz Bellucci, Brazil, 7-6 (5), 6-3.
Men's Singles — Second Round
Andy Murray (4), Britain, def. Xavier Malisse, Belgium, 6-2, 2-6, 6-3.
Robin Soderling (5), Sweden, def. Fernando Verdasco, Spain, 2-6, 7-5, 6-4.
Tomas Berdych (7), Czech Republic, def. Juan Monaco, Argentina, 6-2, 6-2.
Richard Gasquet (16), France, def. Igor Andreev, Russia, 6-1, 6-2.
Jarkko Nieminen, Finland, def. Sergiy Stakhovsky, Ukraine, 6-7 (3), 6-3, 6-4.
Women's Singles — First Round
Shahar Peer (10), Israel, def. Bojana Jovanovski, Serbia, 3-6, 6-0, 6-4.
Andrea Petkovic (12), Germany, def. Maria Kirilenko, Russia, 7-5, 6-1.
Romina Oprandi, Italy, def. Kaia Kanepi (14), Estonia, 7-5, 3-6, 6-1.
Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (16), Russia, def. Chanelle Scheepers, South Africa, 6-3, 7-5.
Lucie Safarova, Czech Republic, def. Kimiko Date-Krumm, Japan, 7-5, 6-2.
Anastasia Rodionova, Russia, def. Yaroslava Shvedova, Kazakhstan, 6-4, 6-4.
Alberta Brianti, Italy, def. Zheng Jie, China, 6-4, 7-5.

NBA

PLAYOFFS

All times Eastern

SECOND ROUND

(Best-of-7 series)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Chicago (1) vs. Atlanta (5)
(Chicago leads 3-2)
Last night's result
Chicago 95 Atlanta 83
Tomorrow's game
Chicago at Atlanta, 8 p.m.
Miami (2) vs. Boston (3)
(Miami leads 3-1)
Monday's result
Miami 98 Boston 90 (OT)
Tonight's game
Boston at Miami, 7 p.m.
WESTERN CONFERENCE
L.A. Lakers (2) vs. Dallas (3)
(Dallas wins 4-0)
Oklahoma City (4) vs. Memphis (8)
(Series tied 2-2)
Monday's result
Oklahoma City 133 Memphis 123 (3OT)
Tonight's game
Memphis at Oklahoma City, 9:30 p.m.

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Rear

Kia's designers have done a pretty good job at loping off the sedan's trunk and integrating the new rear end of the Forte5.

The lines remain crisp and purposeful from all angles, accentuated by the blacked-out door pillars and wrap-around taillights.

From the back though, the Forte5 appears suspiciously similar to the Subaru Impreza, a vehicle that automaker unabashedly refers to as a wagon. No wonder there's confusion out there.

Carrying capacity

The most important measurement for any practical hatch is the volume of stuff it can carry.

With the rear seat folded flat, the Forte5 can swallow a fair chunk of groceries; more than the Toyota Matrix or Mitsubishi Lancer Sportback but not as much as the Hyundai Elantra Touring or the diminutive (but surprisingly spacious) Honda Fit.

Engine

Common to all Forte body styles is the two-engine lineup. The base LX and EX models run with the 156-horsepower 2.0-litre four-cylinder, while a 173-horsepower 2.4-litre four-cylinder belongs to the fancier SX. Fuel economy with the base engine and automatic transmission is rated at 5.5 l/100 km city and 8.0 highway. Those impressive numbers are sufficient to propel the Forte5 to the head of its compact wagon/hatchback class.

▶ As more people downsize in the name of fuel economy, the available cars will have to do and hold more. No problem for the Kia Forte5, but it also has available leather seating, climate control and navigation, so you can save gas and still get a comfy ride.

More than an 'economy car'

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The term "fuel economy" has always brought with it the "economy car" stigma, but there's a definite shift going on in 2011: good on gas can also mean a good car.

Maybe even a great car.

As if Kia was trying to prove the point, buyers now have a highly versatile Forte5 as well as the sedan and two-door "Koup" to choose from.

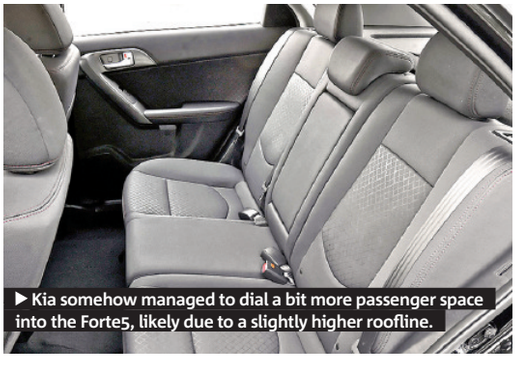
The Korea-based automaker refers to the Forte5 as a hatchback, but there's little to differentiate it from most typical wagons. Some might argue that the rear opening must be virtually vertical for a wagon to be called a wagon, while others believe the amount of storage space is the ideal determining factor.

In any event, if Kia prefers calling the Forte5 (obviously not bothering to differentiate between passenger doors and rear-access cargo openings) a hatchback, then so be it.

In any event, the four-door Forte5 uses the same basic platform as the sedan and both cars are equal in width and in distance between the front and rear wheels. However, the Forte5 is actually shorter in overall length by about 19 centimetres and is trimmer by about 23 kilograms as a result.

Whether entry level or loaded to the hilt, the Forte5 is a handsome, practical and affordable hauler.

▶ Kia keeps on ratcheting up the quality of its interiors. Although there's still plenty of plastic, the inside is both visually interesting and plenty functional.



▶ Kia somehow managed to dial a bit more passenger space into the Forte5, likely due to a slightly higher roofline.

Kia Forte5

What you should know about the 2011 Kia Forte5:

- **Types:** Four-door compact hatchback.
- **Engine (hp):** 2.0-litre DOHC I4 (156); 2.4-litre DOHC I4 (173).
- **Transmission:** Six-speed manual; six-speed automatic (opt.).
- **Market position:** Compact hatchbacks and wagons appear to be gaining in popularity as more buyers seek smaller and thriftier vehicles that offer the maximum in versatility.
- **Point:** Extra-long comprehensive and powertrain warranties give the Forte5 an edge.
- **Stats:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 5.5/8.0 (AT).

5 drive

By comparison

Toyota Matrix
Base price: $18,100
Popular, roomy Corolla-based wagon offers optional all-wheel-drive.

Dodge Caliber
Base price: $16,000
Now more appealing with significant interior upgrades for 2011.

Mitsubishi Sportback
Base price: $21,600
Lancer offshoot adds extra trunk room. Ralliart version really flies.

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LUXURY HYBRIDS ARE THE NEWEST, OLDEST WAVE

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Flared jeans are coming back. This time I'll take a pass. I suffered enough. I wore them all through high school in the 1970s, combined with long, centre-parted hair.

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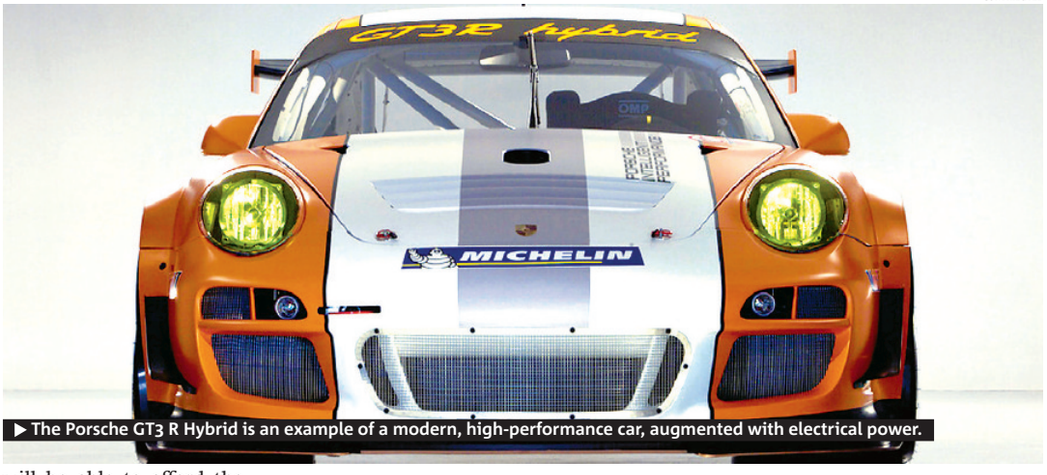


▶ The Porsche GT3 R Hybrid is an example of a modern, high-performance car, augmented with electrical power.

But some things are definitely worth reviving. A case in point is luxury and high-performance cars, augmented with electrical power.

They're hybrids, yes, but hybrids on the other side of the spectrum from Toyota Prius.

The Prius and its ilk are all about fuel efficiency. The cache of a luxury/performance hybrid, however, is three-fold: increased power, increased fuel efficiency, and the fact that this power and efficiency is only possible through exclusive and expensive technology not everybody can afford.

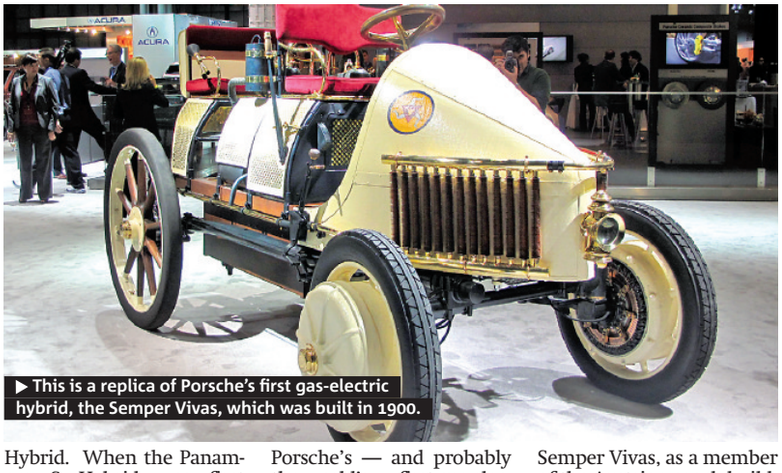
Like how many people will be able to afford the crazy new hybrid that Jaguar just announced?

Based on the C-X75 concept the British automaker displayed at the 2010 Paris auto show, production versions will be restricted to just 200 examples, at 700,000-plus British Pounds each?

I believe that translates to over $1 million Canadian dollars, but I'm not sure, as I have been trying to stay away from math ever since Mr. Runstedtler's Grade 10 calculus class.

Porsche is on to its third hybrid. By fall, we should see the $108,700 Panamera S Hybrid, which shares the same V6-electric powertrain as the Cayenne S Hybrid.

The other hybrid is a race car — the 911 GT3 R Hybrid. When the Panamera S Hybrid was first shown in North America, at the recent auto show in New York, it was accompanied by a replica of Porsche's — and probably the world's — first gas-electric hybrid.



▶ This is a replica of Porsche's first gas-electric hybrid, the Semper Vivas, which was built in 1900.

Ferdinand Porsche was just 24, when he engineered and built the 1900 Semper Vivas, as a member of the Austrian coach-building firm Jacob Lohner.

Only one example was ever built, and it didn't survive.

The Porsche Museum in Stuttgart, Germany, commissioned restorer, Hubert Drescher, to recreate the car, from only one known picture, and several sketches.

I had a chance to speak to Mr. Drescher, at the New York show, and he noted there is not one original part on the car. It was completely re-created.

But the horn and the two 1.7-litre, single-cylinder De Dion Bouton engines are exactly the same vintage and type used on the original car. He found the engines at a flea market. Good score.

The engines drive the rear wheels, and power a dynamo that juices the massive battery pack and the two enormous electric motors fitted to the front wheels.

The Semper Vivas can go 35-40 km/h on a flat road, pretty heady stuff for 1900. But a hill climber it is not. It weights almost two tons.

Gas was pretty cheap and abundant in 1900. The young Ferdinand Porsche was not looking for electricity as a transportation salvation fuel, as some do today.

He was simply looking for ways to satisfy his — and the collective's — desire for powerful, high-performing automobiles.

Like another visionary, Yogi Berra, once opinioned: "It's like déjà-vu all over again."

Green batteries, but not that cheap to recycle

DRIVING FORCE

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One of the major challenges with electric vehicles is the size and range of their batteries.

Lithium-ion batteries are a major step up from conventional batteries, but there is currently little economic incentive to recycle their lithium — and that's the necessary final step in a "green" vehicle, according to global business research and consulting firm Frost & Sullivan.

Lithium is a soft metal that has several uses, including medicine and nuclear energy.

The amount in an automotive battery depends on the power needed: around two kilograms for a plug-in hybrid, and around 10 kilograms for a pure-electric vehicle battery that produces more kilowatts, according to Aswin Kumar, automotive and transportation industry analyst for Frost & Sullivan. The lithium in a battery is completely recyclable, but it's currently not cost-effective.

"The recycled lithium costs as much as five times the cost of lithium produced from the least-priced brine-based process," Kumar says.

NISSAN CANADA

▶ The lithium ion battery packs that are used in the Nissan Leaf is shown.

"It is not competitive for the recycling companies to extract lithium from slag or competitive for the (manufacturers) to buy at higher price points from recycling companies."

Right now, much of the value in recycling such batteries comes from other materials they contain, such as nickel and cobalt, which are priced much higher than lithium — but technology marches on.

"Future battery chemistries under research and development, such as phosphate or manganese-based chemistries, have little or no valuable metals like cobalt or nickel," Kumar says.

"Thus, there is a net negative value for recycling, as the effort to recycle only for lithium from these chemistries would be very high."

Some newer battery technologies will require twice the amount of lithium as current batteries.

There's enough lithium to meet global demand, but much of the readily-available metal is in countries that aren't always politically stable, many of them in South America.

If the supply is disrupted, the major threat manufacturers face is the time it takes to get lithium to market from new mining resources, Kumar says.

He also notes that only a few producers control the market, with the top five accounting for 80 per cent of lithium production in 2009.

China, which has one of the world's largest lithium reserves, is now ramping up production.

And although we have lots of it, Kumar warns that it should not be the sole future source of automotive power, and that research and development on other power sources is needed to avoid lithium dependency.

Say hello to a true gas-miser

The Chevrolet Cruze Eco puts up some great numbers

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With today's gas prices, squeezing every possible kilometre from a litre of fuel is a priority.

That's the idea behind the Chevrolet Cruze Eco, a gas-miser version of the company's compact sedan.

By modifying its aerodynamics and powertrain, GM's engineers are able to wring an official highway figure of 4.6 L/100 km out of the stick-shift Eco, which is as good as some hybrids.

Like the Cruze LT and LTZ trim lines, the Eco uses a 1.4-litre four-cylinder engine. It's turbocharged, but unlike thirstier sports cars that use turbos for speed, the Cruze's provides larger-engine power with smaller-engine fuel economy and runs on regular-grade fuel.

(The LS, the entry-level Cruze model, uses a less-powerful, non-turbo 1.8-litre engine.)

The Eco starts at $19,495 with a manual transmission and $20,945 with an automatic.

The various body tweaks reduce wind resistance, which in turn improves mileage.

These include a slightly lower suspension, special underside panels, low-rolling-resistance tires, rear spoiler, and the neatest item, electronic air shutters.

Tucked behind the lower grille, which protects them from road debris, the shutters work like a Venetian blind.

They close when extra engine cooling isn't necessary, such as at highway speeds, or to help the engine warm up faster after starting, since it works most efficiently at its optimum temperature.

GM says the Eco has about a 10 per cent aerodynamic improvement over the regular Cruze, over half of that due to the shutters.

They'll show up on some other GM vehicles in future, including the upcoming redesigned Malibu.

The Cruze is one of the best cars in the compact sedan segment right now.

Its smooth ride, roomy interior and very quiet cabin make it feel larger and more expensive than it is, although it's still small enough to easily manoeuvre into tight parking spots.

The interior quality is a new high for a compact GM, and the Eco comes with numerous standard features, including ten airbags, air conditioning, stability control, keyless entry and satellite radio.

The engine is smooth and peppy on acceleration.

With the manual transmission, a light prompts you to upshift for better fuel economy, although rolling terrain will have you downshifting frequently to keep the little engine from getting too winded on hills.

Unable to do a full mileage check, I used the car's trip computer during a day's drive, with an average of 5.6 L/100 km overall.

With the price of fuel these days, that's the kind of number many buyers will like to see.

Cruze Eco

What you should know about the 2011 Chevrolet Cruze Eco:

- **Price:** Starting at $19,495 (For Eco model; There is a cheaper LS trim line).
- **Type:** Four-door, front-wheel-drive compact sedan.
- **Engine:** 1.4-litre DOHC four-cylinder, turbocharged, 138 hp, 148 torque.
- **Transmission:** Six-speed manual; optional six-speed automatic.

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▶ The stick-shift version of the Cruze Eco boasts an official highway figure of 4.6 L/100 km. That's as good as some hybrids.

Don’t slow down for bad weather

Performance, style and all-weather handling defined last-generation X3

SECOND GEAR

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BMW’s X3 launched in 2004 as a smaller alternative to the brand’s X5 SUV.

With a smaller and lighter body, car-like driving dynamics and a range of available engine options, this small, upscale SUV was engineered to cater to active shoppers who didn’t intend to slow down for bad weather.

Power came from several BMW straight-six engines, including both 2.5 and 3.0-litre units making 184 or 225 horsepower in early 2.5i and 3.0i models, respectively. From 2007 and on, the three-litre unit was the sole engine offering, making 215 or 260 horsepower in 3.0i and 3.0si trim.

BMW’s nomenclature change in 2009 saw the X3 switch to an “xDrive30i” badge, while a less powerful xDrive28i version was offered, too. All-wheel drive was standard on all models, and used shoppers can even search out an X3 with a six-speed manual on pre-2009 units. Five or six-speed automatic transmissions were available otherwise.

What’s the 4-1-1

- **Model:** 2004 to 2010 BMW X3
- **Vehicle Type:** Crossover SUV
- **Approximate used price range:** $13,000 to $35,000

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▶ 2010 BMW X3

Look for feature content including heated leather, a sunroof, automatic climate control, wood trim, premium audio, tinted glass and plenty more.

What Owners Like

Styling, quality, handling, seats, all-weather traction, high-speed stability and a “fantastic” engine are all highly rated by BMW X3 owners in online forums. Many report getting “decent” fuel mileage, too.

What Owners Hate

Some X3 owners wish for a more premium feel to the X3’s interior trim, as well as a more comfortable and soft ride on some models.

Many owners report “strange” shifting from the six-speed automatic transmission. Finally, several owners report uncomfortable and slightly cramped rear seat accommodations.

Common Issues

On a test-drive, be sure to check all of the used X3’s cabin electronics, including the stereo, climate control, computer readouts and power accessories including windows, mirrors, seats and sunroof.

If the model you’re considering is an automatic and exhibits strange shifting characteristics, the fix may be a reprogramming or replacement of the transmission control computer.

A prominent “clicking” noise while turning could indicate a problem with the rear differential or a CV joint. If such a sound is apparent, be sure to have the vehicle inspected by a BMW mechanic ahead of your purchase.

Finally, note that any warning lights related to the ABS or four-wheel drive system should be investigated before agreeing to purchase a used X3.

The Verdict

X3 won’t be the used SUV market’s cheapest choice — but most owners agree it hits the mark where elevated levels of styling, handling and comfort are concerned.

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Auto's equivalent of a first kiss: Meet the 'Ring

New vehicles are developed on Germany's Nurburgring race facility

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Hidden in the German countryside, far enough away from the towering skyscrapers of Frankfurt's buzzing economic zone, it is simply called the 'Ring.

If you can make it here, you can make it anywhere.

Nurburgring. Never has one name meant so much in the world of automotive testing and motorsports.

Located in northeastern Germany, the 'Ring is a proving ground, a baptism by twists and turns, soaring straightaways and frightening sections called Karussell and Flugplatz.

A quick lap time at the Nurburgring has become a rite of passage, the automotive equivalent of a first kiss, as one critic described it.

If you're Aston Martin or Porsche, Acura or Nissan, Cadillac or Corvette, the Nurburgring is where you come to prove your car has the stuff of legends.

Widely considered the toughest, most dangerous and most demanding purpose-built race track in the world, legendry Formula One driver Jackie Stewart used two words to describe one of its four sections, the northern loop with its stomach-churning pretzel-shaped road.

"Green hell."

Why is the 'Ring so special to today's automakers?

It simulates a wide variety of driving conditions and vehicle behaviour lap after lap.

The various dips and crests allow analysis of a car's performance under high levels of suspension compression and the requirement to slow from high speeds gives the braking components a thorough test.

"Twenty years ago, the Nurburgring was really only used by the German industry," Tony Shute, the project manager for the new Lotus Evora told Edmunds.com.

"But then the Japanese took an interest. Now so many manufacturers have facilities at the 'Ring that it's like Disneyland."

'Ring facts

- Built in the 1920s, the original Nurburgring was meant to be a showcase for German automotive engineering and racing talent and was built with both purposes in mind.
- The track was completed in spring of 1927 and the first World Cycling Championship race took place that year.
- Even the average guy can drive it. Since its opening in 1927, the track has been used by the public for the so-called 'Touristenfahrten.' Anyone with a road-legal car or motorcycle can use it.

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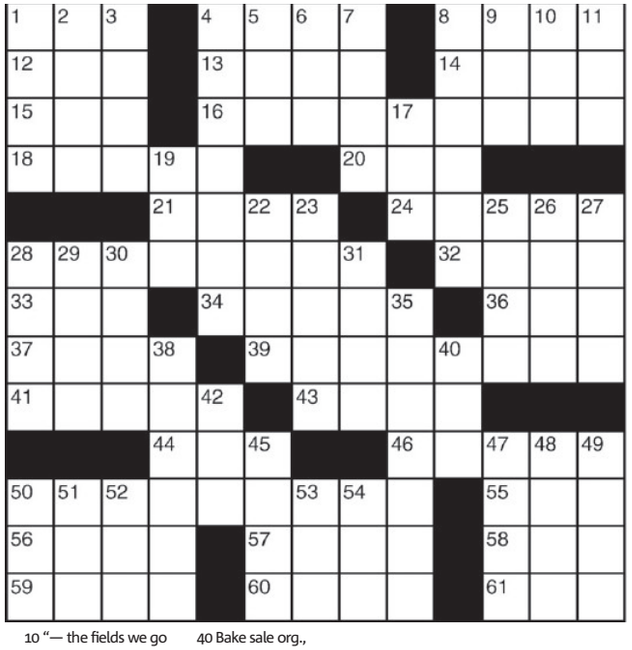
▶ A trip to the 'Ring can be an important component in the development process for many automakers.

Crossword



Across

1 Equine repast
4 Swear
8 Kitten's comment
12 Way back when
13 Chills and fever
14 Sandwich cookie
15 Aye canceler
16 Disneyland, e.g.
18 React to a pun
20 Mischie-vous tyke
21 "I taut I — puddy-tat!"
24 56-Across style
28 Roughly estimated
32 Mexican entree
33 "Eureka!"
34 Aid for a sore arm
36 Ultra-modernist
37 Soak up some rays
39 Texas city
41 Loathe
43 Bat a gnat
44 Existed
46 West Point newbie
50 Cartman's home
55 NAFTA signatory
56 Car
57 Satan's specialty
58 Suitable
59 Team of workers
60 Relinquish
61 Caustic solution

Down

1 Suspend
2 Culture medium
3 Toy on a string
4 Quick snoozes
5 "That tastes awful!"
6 Seek damages
7 Big rig
8 Tyke
9 Geological period
10 "— the fields we go ..."
11 Stir-fry pan
17 Type measures
19 Pac. counterpart
22 Forest (Ger.)
23 The Ram
25 Comical Carvey
26 Computer brand
27 Cubbyhole
28 Rum cake
29 Moby-Dick's pursuer
30 Whip
31 Recognized
35 Large blackbird
38 Bow obsequiously
40 Bake sale org., maybe
42 Cheerleader's cry
45 Detail, for short
47 Two-way
48 Catch sight of
49 London gallery
50 Pouch
51 "— Town"
52 Multipurpose truck
53 Rd.
54 Disencumber

▶ Yesterday's answer

C	O	D	A		E	P	I	C		S	H	E
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K	E	N		E	D	D	Y		Z	E	A	L

Sudoku

5	2			7		9		1
		3						5
7					9		6	
		7	3		2			
6				9				7
			1		7	4		
	9		5					2
4						8		
8		2		3			1	9

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

2	7	9	5	3	1	4	8	6
6	5	1	4	8	9	3	2	7
3	8	4	7	2	6	9	1	5
9	2	6	3	7	4	1	5	8
5	3	7	1	9	8	2	6	4
4	1	8	6	5	2	7	3	9
7	9	2	8	1	5	6	4	3
8	6	3	2	4	7	5	9	1
1	4	5	9	6	3	8	7	2

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♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 Don't let your desire to get things done cloud your judgment.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Don't play hard to get today or you will send important people the wrong kind of signal

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 There is something you have overlooked.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 You have the confidence to take risks but it won't be so good if you are reckless about it

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 You may be tempted to end a relationship that has been nothing but trouble of late.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Don't let vague fears and forebodings hold you back from what you want to do today

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Wait until you are thinking more clearly before making a final decision.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Others may not be trying to trick you but it's doubtful

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Fate will take its chosen path no matter what you think about it

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Forget about your work and your bank balance today and find joy

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. Don't off advice to a friend who is having emotional troubles

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